IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE NASHVILLE DIVISION

JEREMY FAULK,)
Plaintiff,)
) Case No. 3:21-cv-00755
V.)
) Judge Eli J. Richardson
KNOXVILLE HMA HOLDING, LLC;) Magistrate Judge Alistair E. Newbern
DYERSBURG HOSPITAL COMPANY,)
LLC; WEST TENNESSEE)
HEALTHCARE, INC., and DYERSBURG)
HEALTH,)
)
Defendants.)

DENIAL OF ENTRY OF DEFAULT

Pending is Plaintiff Application for Entry of Default against Defendant Knoxville HMA Holdings, LLC ("Knoxville HMA") pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 55(a). (Doc. No. 10). For the following reasons, Plaintiff's Application is **DENIED**.

Plaintiff filed his original Complaint on October 1, 2021. (Doc. No. 1). Summons was issued as to Defendant via its registered agent of service of process, Justin Pitt. (Doc. No. 5). On January 4, 2022, Plaintiff filed several documents: 1) an Amended Complaint against Defendant and newly added defendants (Doc. No. 7); 2) a Proof of Service declaration executed by Plaintiff stating that Defendant was served with the original Complaint via certified mail (Doc. No. 9); and the pending Application for Entry of Default (Doc. No. 10). On February 4, 2022, counsel entered an appearance on behalf of Defendant and filed an Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time to answer the Amended Complaint. (Doc. No. 21). On February 7, 2022, the Court granted the Unopposed Motion. (Doc. No. 26). Defendant timely filed an answer to the Amended Complaint

on February 14, 2022. (Doc. No. 28). As a result, the Clerk **DENIES** as moot Plaintiff's Application for Entry of Default. (Doc. 10).

s/ Lynda M. Hill Lynda M. Hill

Clerk of Court